

Guidance - FA Topics

Welcome to the FWS Financial Assistance Wiki (FA Wiki).

The FA Wiki is being developed as a knowledge base for FWS Financial Assistance policies, laws, rules, guidance, and best practices. The information in the FA Wiki is for individuals who have responsibilities related to FWS Financial Assistance programs. This includes program managers, specialists, and financial assistance partners and award recipients.

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Policy Requiring Mandatory Training for Financial Assistance Signed

Scott Knight : 11 04, 2014

Service Policy 232 FW 1 <http://fawiki.fws.gov/www.fws.gov/policy/232fw1.html> was signed on Friday 17 October 2014. This policy requires all Service personnel who work with financial assistance to receive a Service specific financial assistance training. All WSFR employees are required to complete the WSFR specific Basic Grants Management training. All other Service financial assistance personnel must take the Service Basic Financial Assistance training.

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Compliance Summary Requirements for WSFR Published (519 FW 2)

Scott Knight : 11 04, 2014

Division of Policy and Directives Management just published 519 FW 2, Compliance Summary Requirements for the Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration (WSFR) program. This chapter replaces what was 523 FW 1, last updated in 1992. The chapter summarizes the most common statutes, Executive Orders, and policies applicable to the grants that WSFR administers. The policy includes and exhibit that describes each requirement in more detail, explains what its effect is on WSFR grant management,...

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FWS Seeks Proposals from States for FY 2015 Endangered Species Grants

Scott Knight : 11 01, 2014

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is seeking proposals from states and U.S. territories for federal financial assistance for

conservation activities that benefit the nation's most imperiled species. The Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation Fund (CESCF), authorized under Section 6 of the Endangered Species Act, provides grants to support voluntary conservation projects for listed species and species that are candidates for listing. For fiscal year 2015,...

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RFAs for 2015 CVA Program due Dec. 3, 2014

Julie Schroyer : 8 28, 2014

The announcement of availability and request for applications <http://wsfrprograms.fws.gov/Subpages/GrantPrograms/CVA/CVA-NOFA2015.pdf> for the FY 2015 Clean Vessel Act Grant Program is posted on Grants.gov (CFDA 15.616). Applications are due by December 3, 2014.

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Service Provides \$5.6 Million in SWG Grants for Conservation Projects

Julie Schroyer : 7 18, 2014

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service provides \$5.6 million through competitive State Wildlife Grants (SWG) to 12 States for conservation projects. (News Release <http://www.fws.gov/news/ShowNews.cfm?ID=455F3DCA-C8E9-3A9C-252B437B5E56E2D7>)

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Target Shooting by Hunters and Their Use of Shooting Ranges: 1975, 1991, and 2011

Julie Schroyer : 7 18, 2014

An addendum to the 2011 National Survey titled "Target Shooting by Hunters and Their Use of Shooting Ranges: 1975, 1991, and 2011" <http://digitalmedia.fws.gov/cdm/ref/collection/document/id/2055> is available. It is an analytical report using 2011 Survey data describing the extent of target shooting and shooting range use by hunters. It has trend data going back to 1975. Demographics and types of weapons used are covered.

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Service Announces more than \$16.6 Million in CVA Grants

Julie Schroyer : 7 18, 2014

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Director announced that more than \$16.6 million will be awarded to 21 states under the Clean Vessel Act (CVA) grant program in 2014. (News Release

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RFAs for 2015 BIG Program due Sept. 19, 2014

Julie Schroyer : 7 03, 2014

The Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Program announces the publication of the annual Request for Applications (RFA) for the Fiscal Year 2015 Boating Infrastructure Grant Program (BIG), Tier 1
file:///Y:/Subpages/GrantPrograms/BIG/BIG-NOFA15-Tier1.pdf and Tier 2
file:///Y:/Subpages/GrantPrograms/BIG/BIG-NOFA15-Tier2.pdf on Grants.gov (CFDA 15.622
<http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html>)....

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Service Announces More Than \$7.3 Million in Grants to Boost Recreational Boating

Scott Knight : 11 20, 2013

August 19, 2013 Contacts: Laury Parramore Laury_Parramore@fws.gov mailto:Laury_Parramore@fws.gov (703) 358-2541 cell: (703) 589-6947 Kim Betton Kim_Betton@fws.gov mailto:Kim_Betton@fws.gov 703/358-2081 The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) today announced more than \$6.9 million in competitive grants to six states and one U.S. territory for projects to support recreational boating through the Boating Infrastructure Grant (BIG) Tier II program....



New WSFR eLearning Course Released

Steve Leggans : 7 25, 2013

The Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration (WSFR) Program training team is excited to announce the release of a new e-learning course titled The Grants Management Process. This course will be offered as a pre-requisite for all those who will participate in the Project Leader's (PLC) and Basic Grants Management (BGM) courses....

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FWS Financial Assistance Wiki Available

Steve Leggans : 7 01, 2013

The FWS Financial Assistance Wiki (FAwiki) is now available for your use. Its web address is: <http://fawiki.fws.gov>
<http://fawiki.fws.gov/> What is a Wiki? A Wiki is a website developed by many users providing content to develop a knowledgebase. In this instance, it is FWS Financial Assistance. In the past we often cataloged our institutional FA (grant and cooperative agreement) knowledge by using: 1) Guidance, 2) Email (archives and message threads),...

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Service Awards More Than \$14 Million In Clean Vessel Act Grants

Scott Knight : 6 25, 2013

Funding supports clean waters and recreational boating The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) announced today that more than \$14.7 million will be awarded to 23 states under the Clean Vessel Act (CVA) grant program in 2013. The first Clean Vessel Act awards were made in 1993. Since that time the Service's Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Program has awarded more than \$200 million to states for projects funding construction, replacement, renovation,...

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Assistant Director Hannibal Bolton has announced the release of the landmark publication "Celebrating the Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Program, 75 Years of Conservation Success." (WSFR)

Scott Knight : 1 24, 2013

The U.S Fish and Wildlife Service has released a landmark publication celebrating the 75th Anniversary of the Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Program, the cornerstone of fish and wildlife conservation in North America. This vital program provides more than \$700 million each year through the sale of hunting and fishing equipment to support habitat conservation and outdoor recreation projects across the nation....

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FAIMs Gets Decommissioned (WSFR)

Scott Knight : 11 15, 2012

10/23/2012 - Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Program The Federal Aid Information System (FAIMS), used by the Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Program (WSFR) in administering grant programs that provide for conservation of natural resources, has been decommissioned by the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service effective October 1, 2012....

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ASAP Registration Information Now Available

Scott Knight : 10 17, 2012

ASAP registration http://wsfrprograms.fws.gov/Subpages/FAPO/Service_Grants.htm information is now available for Service-wide recipients of Grants and Cooperative Agreements. ASAP (Automated Standard Application for Payments) is the Fish & Wildlife Service's new payment management system. Keep up to date on the ASAP http://wsfrprograms.fws.gov/Subpages/FAPO/Service_Grants.htm process!

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